

Committee contains a provision requesting the Secretary of Defense to review the DSB report and to submit recommendations regarding its implementation with the budget request submission for fiscal year 2003. I am hopeful that the Secretary will endorse the DSB findings so that the Department will finally exercise appropriate oversight and support for cross-service test activities. In the meantime, the amendment I am introducing is necessary to keep those essential test activities underway. I urge my colleagues to support its adoption.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to amendments Nos. 1809 through 1820, en bloc.

The amendments (Nos. 1809 through 1820) were agreed to.

Mr. LEVIN. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. WARNER. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. LEVIN. Madam President, we had hoped and expected there was going to be an additional amendment of Senator HOLLINGS to which Senator WARNER and I had agreed, but there was a last minute objection, I believe, on the Republican side. We will try to do the best we can on that in the morning.

Mr. WARNER. Madam President, the chairman is correct. We believed we had it worked out, and at the last minute there was an objection on this side.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. LEVIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that there be a period for morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from North Carolina.

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order for me to deliver my remarks from my seat.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CAREER-ENDING HONORS FOR GENERAL HENRY H. SHELTON

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, this morning marked an unmistakably glorious conclusion to the remarkable military career of one of North Carolina's most famous citizens, GEN Henry H. Shelton.

It occurred at Fort Myer, VA, with scores of America's best-known leaders—both military and civilian, on hand for the spectacular event.

All branches of the armed services participated. The Secretary of Defense, for example, Don Rumsfeld, was there, as was Secretary of State Colin Powell. The marching bands didn't miss a cue or a note. It was splendid, every minute of it, in every detail.

General Shelton's farewell remarks were a modest review of the many things he had seen and things he had done in many places around the world. His wife Carolyn's eyes brimmed with tears a few times, a measurement of her pride in, and her love for, her remarkable husband.

All in all, it served to make those of us present a bit prouder of our country as we surveyed the troops from all of the services and heard the bands strike up.

I believe Senators will enjoy reviewing the address by GEN Henry H. Shelton on this, the morning of his retirement from the U.S. Army—and especially, as General Shelton turned over the chairmanship of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to his friend, GEN Dick Myers.

Therefore, I ask unanimous consent that General Shelton's farewell address be printed in full in the RECORD.

I thank the Chair.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

REMARKS BY GENERAL HENRY H. SHELTON, USA, ARMED FORCES FULL HONOR TRIBUTE, SUMMERALL FIELD, FORT MYER, MONDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2001

Secretary Powell, Secretary and Mrs. Rumsfeld, Secretary Principi, Director and good friend George Tennant of CIA, members of the diplomatic corps, distinguished members of Congress to include the delegation from my home state of North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms, Senator John Edwards, and Congressman Bob Etheridge, Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz, Service Secretaries, Fellow Chiefs of Defense, Members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff past and present to include my predecessor and old mentor General David Jones, Commanders-in-Chief of our Combatant Commands, fellow flag and general officers, distinguished guests, family and friends, and especially, the men and women of our Armed Forces, represented here today by the magnificent soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and coast guardsmen, standing proud and tall in the ranks before us.

Thanks to all of you for being a part of this ceremony during this very busy and trying time and for honoring Carolyn and me with your presence. Thank you Secretary Rumsfeld for those kind words. Carolyn and I deeply appreciate your comments and the awards. There are so many here today that I'd like to thank personally, and many who traveled great distances to get here like Ms. Connie Stevens from LA and Johnny Counterfit and wife from Nashville, Tennessee, and CSM Felix Acosta, a great soldier from Bristol, Tennessee, old friends from Atlanta, Tampa, and Fayetteville, North Carolina, the center of the universe, and finally friends from NC State University.

Ladies and gentlemen, this ceremony marks the end of an extraordinary journey: 38 years as a soldier in the service of our country. Now 38 years may seem like an awfully long time, and it is, but as I near the finish line, it feels like I've been driving a powerful Corvette at high speed with time and distance flying by. I can vividly recall the year 1963, when Carolyn and I made the drive from Speed, North Carolina to Fort Benning, Georgia, in the days following my commissioning as a Second Lieutenant from NC State University. Like all young men, I had many dreams and grand thoughts, and also some trepidation about the future.

Someone asked me the other day if during those early days if I ever imagined being here today. My response was I was too busy doing my duty as a 2nd Lieutenant and wasn't even thinking beyond 1st Lieutenant. If I had imagined it, it probably would have scared me to death. But, what a truly incredible journey this has been for a farm boy from North Carolina. America is truly a great land of opportunity.

But I didn't make the trip alone. So today it's important and necessary that I recognize and thank those who made that journey possible. First, my parents, my mother Patsy is here today, who shaped my character and instilled the values, which have served me well, throughout the trip. My brothers, David and Ben, and sister, Sarah, whose support was always felt. And my wonderful wife, Carolyn, who has been with me every step of the way through 27 moves, raising three wonderful sons, Jon, Jeff, and Mark, and through countless separations in times of war and peace. While I'm grateful to God for many things in my life, none compares with the love and pride that I feel with Carolyn by my side. Thank you for joining me on every step of this journey. Carolyn. And, as I reflect these past four years as Chairman, I fully realize that Carolyn and I need to express our thanks to many of you in the audience today.

I first need to thank the two Commanders-in-Chief for whom I've had the honor and privilege of serving. President Bush and President Clinton. I thank President Clinton for giving me the opportunity of a lifetime only four short years ago to serve as this Nation's 14th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs.

This assignment has indeed been the highlight of my career, for the greatest honor that any military leader could ever have is to represent America's soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and quite often our coast guardsmen back here in Washington. And for that I'll always be grateful. I also need thank our current Commander-in-Chief, President Bush, for the complete trust and confidence he has shown in me these past nine months. Our nation is truly blessed to have President Bush's strong leadership, integrity, and gritty resolve during this difficult time.

I also need to thank the two great Secretaries for whom I have worked during this tour of duty, Secretary Rumsfeld and Secretary Cohen. And both, like me, married above their "raising" with Janet Cohen and Joyce Rumsfeld. I thank Secretary Cohen, for the chance he gave me to serve our Nation in this capacity, and to Secretary Rumsfeld for the opportunity to continue to serve and for your trust and confidence. What I found fascinating about these two gentlemen is not what makes them different, but rather what makes them so similar. First, they are true patriots who deeply love their country and all that it stands for. And second, they both share many of the same attributes; strength of character; vision; determination; and an unyielding desire to build and maintain the finest Armed Forces in the world. Thanks to both of you for your trust and confidence, your personal sacrifices to serve our Nation, and for your willingness to stand up for the right thing for our men and women in uniform. Our Nation has been, and will continue to be, blessed by your service.

I also need to recognize the extraordinary loyalty and support of my two Vice Chairmen, General Joe Ralston and Chairman Dick Myers. I'm proud of all that we've accomplished. Joe and Dick, your wise counsel and unfailing support made the difference, time and gain, as we confronted a host of difficult challenges and I thank you. I will always be indebted to you both. And Dick, I